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SUBJ: PRESS TREATMENT OF FAHMY MOSCOW VISIT

1. FAHMY VISIT TO M

SCOW REMAINS TOP STORY OCT 17, WITH LEAD

ARTICLES FILED FROM MOSCOW BY EGYPTIAN JOURNALISTS TRAVELLING WITH OGE DEL. REPORTEDLY, TALKS HAVE FOCUSED ON ECONOMIC, MILITARY AND POLITICAL TOPICS. RESULTS ARE "IMPORTANT" BUT NO DETAILS ARE GIVEN. JOINT COMMUNIQUE IS TO BE BROADCAST "TOMORROW", PRESUMABLY JUST AFTER FAHMY'S DEPARTURE FOR CAIRO.

2. BREZHNEV VISIT TO CAIRO HAS NOT RPT NOT BEEN ANNOUNCED BY GOE. AKHBAR'S STORY, HOWEVER, SAYS "AGREEMENT WAS REACHED YESTERDAY ON TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED AT BREZHNEV SADAT SUMMIT MEETING IN CAIRO NEXT JANUARY." EDITORIAL IN SAME PAPER HAILS "AGREEMENT" TO CONVENE SUMMIT AS DECISIVE EVIDENCE OF PROFOUNDITY AND STRENGTH OF BILATERAL RELATIONS. ALL PAPERS REPORT DECISION TO UNDER-TAKE DETAILED STAFF STUDIES AND EXCHANGES OF VISITS TO PREPARE FOR JANUARY SUMMIT. GOE DEL SOURCES ARE QUOTED BY AKHBAR AND GUM-HURIYYA AS DESCRIBING MOSCOW TALKS AS "THE FIRST SUCCESSFUL MOVEMENT TOWARD RETURN OF CONFIDENCE BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES."

COMMENT: WE ASSUME FBIS PROVIDING TEXT OF BANQUET TOASTS.

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WE NOTE PARTICULARLY FAHMY EMPHASIS ON POINT THAT EGYPT CANNOT

GO TO GENEVA BEFORE ARAB RANKS ARE UNIFIED..."

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